

WEEKLY CROP-WEATHER

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HARVEST IS PROGRESSING

Harvest is progressing nicely despite the rains received this week, according to the Minnesota Agricultural Statistics Service. Soybean harvest gained 24 percentage points. Corn harvest has made some progress, but many producers are waiting for the corn to dry down to begin harvesting. Lodged corn is proving difficult to harvest; additional lodging occurred this week due to strong winds.

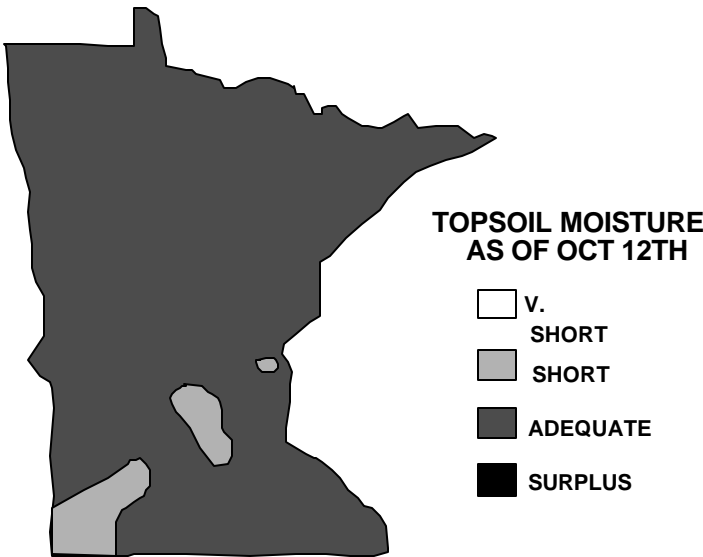
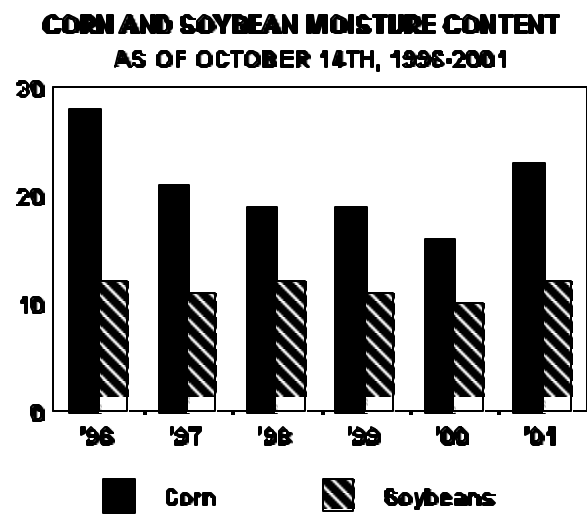
Fall tillage continues with enough topsoil moisture to aid in working stubble. Statewide topsoil moisture conditions as of October 12th were rated 2% very short, 14% short, 79% adequate, and 5% surplus.

Soybean harvest is 78% complete as of Sunday, October 14th, compared to 98% last year and 88% for the 5-year average. Average soybean moisture content is 12%, versus 10% last year and 11% for the 5-year average.

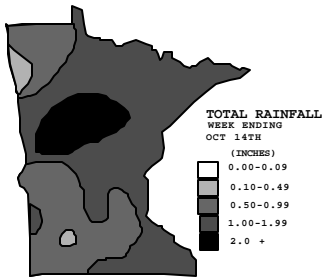
Corn harvest is 13% complete, versus 63% last year and 41% for the 5-year average. Corn moisture content is 23% versus 16% last year and 21% for the five year average. Corn condition is rated 38% good to excellent, unchanged last week's rating.

Sugarbeet harvest is 80% complete compared to 81% last year and 75% for the 5-year average.

Days Suitable for Fieldwork: 4.8					
		Very Short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
Topsoil Moisture (%)		2	14	79	5
Crop Progress as of October 14, 2001					
Crop	Stage of Development	5 Yr Avg	Last Year	Last Week	This Week
-----Percent-----					
Corn	Mature	98	99	89	96
	Harvested	41	63	6	13
	Moisture Content	21	16	25	23
Soybeans	Stubble Worked	15	23	3	8
	Mature	99	99	89	99
	Harvested	88	98	54	78
Dry Beans	Moisture Content	11	10	12	12
	Stubble Worked	48	58	19	44
	Harvested	94	95	83	98
Potatoes	Harvested	89	94	73	91
Grain/Hay	Stubble Worked	89	94	75	79
Sunflowers	Harvested	34	27	11	45
Sugarbeets	Harvested	75	81	49	80
Crop Condition as of October 12 th					
	V. Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Exc.
Pasture	4	18	38	37	3
Corn	3	11	48	36	2
Sunflowers	1	6	24	54	15



PRECIPITATION AND TEMPERATURES FOR THE WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 14, 2001:
Temperatures averaged from 0.1 degree above normal in the South Central District to 2.8 degrees above normal in the East Central District. Extremes: 24° in Faribault and Winnebago; 71° in Intl.Falls, Lamberton, Redwood Falls, and Worthington. Precipitation averaged from 0.15 inch above normal in the South West District to 1.47 inches above normal in the North Central District. Greatest weekly total was 2.54 inches.



Precipitation and Temperature Summary for 10/08/2001 through 10/14/2001

	Temperature				Precipitation			
	High	Low	Week Ave	Depart from Norm	Week Total	Depart Past Week	From Four Weeks	Norm Since 4/1
<u>NW DIST 1</u>								
Crookston	64	33	49.0	1.9	.48	.10	-.52	1.66
Moorhead	68	35	50.6	2.0	1.72	1.30	.40	1.70
Warroad	69	26	46.8	1.9	.84	.46	-.10	10.80
<u>NC DIST 2</u>								
Grand Rapids	67	32	47.7	1.4	2.54	1.94	.53	1.31m
Intl. Falls	71	30	47.4	2.5	1.39	.91	-.37	6.04
Itasca	69	27	46.8	1.5	2.14	1.57	.05	1.91
<u>NE DIST 3</u>								
Duluth	65	35	49.0	3.0	1.57	.98	-.88	.92
Grand Marais	60	41	50.8	3.9	1.72	1.12	-1.07	4.40
Hibbing	69	28	45.2	.6	1.82	1.27	.24	-2.02
<u>WC DIST 4</u>								
Alexandria	66	36	51.4	2.5	.89	.34	-1.06	-3.15m
Browns Valley	69	28	49.2	.1	.80	.40	-.04	3.53
Canby	70	41	54.0	3.2	1.01	.56	-.55	4.47
Fergus Falls	68	38	51.6	4.0	2.19	1.76	.64	5.99
Montevideo	70	30	52.4	1.7	.60	.15	.08	3.41
Morris	68	29	50.5	2.1	.85	.32	-.43	7.18
<u>CENT DIST 5</u>								
Becker	65	28	50.2	1.6	.83	.29	-.24	.15
Hutchinson	69	39	53.0	2.5	1.23	.75	.79	.98
Olivia	61m	29m	45.0m	-5.7m	.06m	-.46m	-.95m	-1.87m
St. Cloud	65	35	50.4	2.1	1.01	.47	-.97	.75
Staples	65	28	47.2	-.2	1.66	1.11	-.24	6.02
Willmar	68	33	51.2	1.2	.81	.26	-.87	-2.19
<u>EC DIST 6</u>								
Aitkin	69	36	50.6	3.3	1.04	.45	-1.12	.87
Cambridge	68m	36m	55.1m	6.1m	.34m	-.24m	-.88m	4.62m
MSP Airport	66	42	52.8	1.6	.94	.42	.81	5.99
St. Paul - UofM	67	39	54.0	.3	1.16	.57	.82	3.79
<u>SW DIST 7</u>								
Lamberton	71	33	52.8	2.1	.42	-.09	-.30	5.13
Pipestone	70	23	50.9	1.8	.75	.25	-1.34	2.71
Redwood Falls	71	35	52.8	.6	.48	-.01	-1.42	-3.51
Worthington	71	36	53.6	3.7	.69	.19	-1.27	.28
<u>SC DIST 8</u>								
Faribault	67	24	51.0	-.1	.78	.21	-.74	2.99
Waseca	68	29	51.4	1.3	.80	.21	.08	4.85
Winnebago	68	24	49.7	-.8	1.25	.69	.20	.42
<u>SE DIST 9</u>								
Preston	68	28	51.2	.9	1.67	1.05	1.11	1.26
Red Wing	68	26	51.5	2.4	1.05	.44	-.70	-2.09
Rochester	65	37	51.2	1.0	1.58	1.03	1.28	9.59
Rosemount	67	38	52.0	2.2	.97	.36	-.03	-1.16m
Winona	67	27	52.2	.9	1.98	1.43	.30	4.87

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